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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

<b>Interview Summary</b>	<b>Application No.</b>	<b>Applicant(s)</b>	
	10/799,449	BOUCHE ET AL.	
	<b>Examiner</b>	<b>Art Unit</b>	
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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

- (1) Marie Patterson. (3) \_\_\_\_.
- (2) Sabrina MacIntyre Reg. 56912. (4) \_\_\_\_.

Date of Interview: 13 April 2006.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference  
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.  
If Yes, brief description: \_\_\_\_.

Claim(s) discussed: all of record.

Identification of prior art discussed: Sutherland and Johnston.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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Examiner's signature, if required

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: The Examiner explained that little weight is given to process steps in article claims. Applicant proposed to amend to recite structure as to how the straps attach at the top or that the straps do not cross as possible amendments to overcome the applied prior art. The Examiner agrees that such language appears to overcome the applied art. Applicant proposed language directed towards the materials used for the straps, the Examiner would look to see if a 103 rejection would be proper. The exact amendments and the exact language would be further considered upon formal filing.